HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 741

By Fitzhugh

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Martha Ann Cassell Lee of Ringgold.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Martha Ann Cassell Lee; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lee was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Martha Lee was born in Chattanooga on April 22, 1950, to Cecil and Betty Cassell: and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lee served with acumen and alacrity at the East Ridge Barber Shop, where she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, she was an active and devout member of the Gospel Way Baptist Church, which she served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lee was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her father, Cecil Cassell; and a brother, Terry Cassell; and

WHEREAS, Martha Lee enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband of forty-five years, Jerry R. Lee, and was the proud parent of one son, Jerry R. Lee, Jr.; and the doting grandmother of one granddaughter, Mariah Lee; and

WHEREAS, she is also survived by her mother, Betty Keith; a brother, Tim Keith; two sisters, Becky Jarvis and Diane White; and several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, to honor her memory, her family would like to emphasize the importance of bone marrow donation, and to encourage members of the public to participate in bone marrow donation drives; and

WHEREAS, Martha Lee leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Martha Ann Cassell Lee, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Lee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.